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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR. LT

SUBJ: JONATHAN SPEAKS OUT ON MIDDLE EAST

REF: MASERU 1248

1. PRIME MINISTER CHIEF JONATHAN BORKE SILENCE ON MIDDLE EAST IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NOVEMBER 28 WITH URGENT APPEAL TO ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW FROM ALL OCCUPIED TERRITORY AS A FIRST STEP TOWARD PEACE. H SAID LESOTHO DID NOT QUESTION ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO EXIST BUT WAS ALSO MINDFUL OF RIGHTS OF HOMELESS PALESTINIANS. HE CONSIDERED THAT FRAMEWORK FOR PEACE LAY IN UN RESOLUTIONS.

2. WITH EYE TO PROBABLE FUEL CUTS, JONATHAN NOTED THAT NO HOUSEHOLD IN LESOTHO WOULD BE SPARED FROM FUELING PINCH OF MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT.

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3. COMMENT. SUBSTANCE OF JONATHANS STATEMENT COMES AS NO  
SURPRISE BUT THERE IS NO CLUE WHY HE CHOSE THIS MOMENT  
TO SPEAK ON MIDDLE EAST.AS REPORTED REFTEL, THERE IS NO  
INDICATION LESOTHO INTENDS ABANDON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS  
WITH ISRAEL.  
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